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DOES COLOR MATTER? | THIRD IN A THREE PART SERIES

## Is this a white man's job?

Students, faculty members have mixed feelings about hiring

By Meghan Durbak  
REPORTER

To some students and faculty, Timothy Messer-Kruse is just a white man.

It won't matter what he does as

chair of the ethnic studies department, because they'll never see him as qualified. To them, it's because race matters.

But it also matters to Messer-Kruse and the committee that hired him.

"Race matters. It matters to me. I cannot, I cannot use criterion that I would hate one to use against me," said Apollos

Nwauwa, an African professor who supported the hire of Messer-Kruse.

Naomi Valdez, junior, does hold it against Messer-Kruse and the committee that voted to hire him.

"I'm saddened that people of color saw him as qualified," she said.

So is Fleny Mercedes. Mercedes,

junior, isn't just offended that Messer-Kruse will be chair of the ethnic studies department. She's also angry that the dean of arts and sciences, Don Nieman, chose to use Linda Pertusati's ethnic studies class as a forum for explaining the committee's decision to hire Messer-Kruse as chair.

Mercedes said this was

uncalled for. "I didn't understand why he had to come. He's never done something like that before," she said.

Nieman's decision to visit the classes came after he observed that a large portion of the letters, opposing the chair's hire, came from Pertusati's class. He didn't

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## USG bill could divvy up salaries for senators

Debate over salary leads to vote, dismissal of new bill

By Dave Herrera  
REPORTER

How much money should Undergraduate Student Government senators make?

That's the question that was lurking around the governmental body for most of this past semester — until legislation brought up late in the year sparked an internal smorgasbord of opinion over what its members should earn for fulfilling their responsibilities.

"That was the most intense debate we had on any legislation," said Anthony Calabrese, USG's speaker during the past year, "was about how much we're paying ourselves."

The issue came to a head with Sen. Johnnie Lewis' bill, which would have divided the \$3,500 stipend paid each semester to the speaker to \$700 each for the speaker and the senate's committee chairs. The bill was voted down **deceptively decisively** 16-2, with 13 absences or abstentions.

In theory, reducing the speaker's stipend has broad support from the senate.

"USG had an informal consensus that the speaker's stipend needed to be lowered," said Niki Messmore, who served as organization liaison committee chair this past year. Calabrese said the \$3,500 is "drastically way too much money... even if you're fulfilling every single thing that's asked of you."

"Because if you think about it, it's about \$100 per week we're in school," he said.

There also is broad consensus in the senate that the president, vice president and chief administrator deserve their stipends.

Agreement, however, usually ends there.

"At the same time, I feel that a stipend is necessary — a somewhat significant one — because it takes a specific skill set," Calabrese said.

"Not just anybody who knows [Robert's Rules of Order] can be speaker," he said.

### Effective efficiency?

For his part, Lewis, newly re-elected internal affairs committee chair, stands by the bill, saying it will promote a more

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## RUBBLE AND FLAMES: FIRE CLOSES ECLIPSE

**ONLY TWO WEEKS:** A fire tore through the new hair and tanning salon Eclipse in the early morning hours Thursday. The business had only been open two weeks. The fire is currently under investigation, according to the Bowling Green Fire Department, but they did say the building was not a total loss. There is hope that the business will be salvaged. "I'm trying to keep upbeat about it, my family and I have always gotten through hard events by making jokes and being light hearted about it," Tootie Russell, owner, said. "I'll rise again, personally I won't let this get in my way." The goal of the salon was to offer low prices and services that students normally would have to drive to Toledo for. **SEE STORY, PAGE 10.**

LIABILITY IN THE LIBRARY | SECOND OF FOUR

## Funding for Jerome Library isn't priority

OSU renovation project is in contrast to BGSU's program

By Dan Myers  
REPORTER

and Bridget Sharp  
CAMPUS NEWS EDITOR

With a leaky, aging building, increasingly expensive research materials and a growing student body to serve, Jerome Library could use some cash.

They aren't alone. Other Ohio colleges are renovating their libraries and finding new ways to pay for it.

While most college libraries in Ohio were first built with state money, recent cuts to higher education funding have left schools looking to private donations to maintain or renovate those buildings.

Take Ohio State University

for example. Their \$100 million library renovation project is one of the most ambitious in the nation, aiming to finish improvements to a nearly 100-year-old building before 2009. Administrators there have made the library renovations their top fundraising priority, according to Gay Jackson, director of the Library Campaign for OSU.

"We have some fabulous facilities at the [Ohio State] University, and people want the library to be one of them," Jackson said. "Our main library has just been not renovated in many years, and it's desperately in need of renovations, and I think that people respond to that need."

By comparison, BGSU doesn't make their libraries as high a priority as OSU makes their own.

After a feasibility study estimated BGSU's main library

needed \$15 million in renovations four years ago, the project was not ranked a priority. Now, a new feasibility study to reevaluate the old estimate is underway and is expected to be released this summer, said Bob Waddle of Capital Planning.

With \$30 million of the OSU library project coming from fundraising, Jackson is busy asking for private donations from alumni, businesses, and charitable foundations.

"We target people who love the [Ohio State] University and there are many, many of them in Ohio," Jackson said. "People recognize the importance of libraries across a wide gamut of interests. And so we approach a

BGSU's dean of libraries accepts a job in Kansas. **PAGE 10**

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## SBX bookstore owner not happy with BGSU

Attorney General Jim Petro says University under no obligations

By Megan Schmidt  
REPORTER

More than a year after filing his original complaint with the University, SBX bookstore owner Kent Kokomoor remains unsatisfied with the steps the University has taken to open B'G Charge business to his store.

Though Kokomoor has yet to file a lawsuit, and said he prefers to continue working with the University rather than take legal action, he said his patience is growing thin.

"We don't want to begin a lawsuit, but they are dragging their feet," he said.

In March 2005, under the representation of attorney Dan Kinsella, SBX sent a letter to University's Thomas Trimboli, assistant to the president in the department of general counsel, and Attorney General Jim Petro, which said excluding SBX from

using the B'G Charge system discouraged competition in the bookstore market, a violation of the Sherman Act.

Petro responded to the letter, saying BGSU was immune from the Sherman Act and the University was under no obligation to open the B'G Charge system to include stores outside the University such as SBX.

Since then, BGSU has introduced plans to switch to OneCard next year, a system which Kinsella said is too much like the one the B'G Charge already offers for SBX's liking.

"In January we realized to our horror they would basically continue the same system, continuing the credit system on campus, but only a debit system off campus," Kinsella said.

Kokomoor said this information came as unpleasant surprise, and that he was told in a meeting with eight University officials last October that the University was devising a new card that would

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### LOSING STEAM:

Liz Vrabel notched 14th complete game of the season, but Falcons go scoreless against Blue Demons; **PAGE 15**

### FOUR-DAY FORECAST

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#### SATURDAY



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#### SUNDAY



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High: 67°  
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Low: 45°

#### TUESDAY



Partly Cloudy  
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Low: 47°

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# LSU adviser: Messer-Kruse lacking in 'lived experience'

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come alone. He chose to bring Sridevi Menon, one of the members of the search committee, to help him explain their reasons to all three of Pertusati's classes.

Mercedes said that it was unfair to pinpoint Pertusati's class since there were many students outside of Pertusati's class who did write letters, and many inside the class that didn't.

"The students felt their safe space was violated," Pertusati said. But she told her students to see the discussions with the dean as a learning experience.

Pertusati said the students were hostile to Nieman and Menon and questioned them extensively.

"I was very pleased to see they were applying concepts they had critically thought about — race and representation," she said.

Pertusati shares many of her students' sentiments about Messer-Kruse's hire. She said that as a white man, he is unqualified for the position. But that was not

her only concern when Nieman came to her class.

"I wanted to ask what they were going to do about Carlos Adams," she said.

Carlos Adams is Latino Student Union's adviser and has openly opposed hiring Messer-Kruse as the chair of the ethnic studies department. The voting representative for ethnic studies instructors, Adams raised the issue of race during one of the committee's discussions.

He said that he did not believe Messer-Kruse had "lived experience." "Lived experience" is a concept Adams teaches in his classes. Adams said it means, "how you experience life growing up and how you relate it to power." In this instance it means that someone has lived with racism their entire life. Without this experience, Adams does not believe a person can effectively teach or

lead a department about race.

Nevertheless, Adams joined his colleagues in their unanimous decision to hire Messer-Kruse. He said he did this because he believed he had no other choice.

"I felt that to vote against hiring Messer-Kruse would jeopardize my future here," Adams said.



MESSER-KRUSE

While the other committee members were stunned to hear this, Adams said that he felt "marginalized — not seen as valid or important," and that he was being left out of the committee processes.

Already feeling left out of lunches and other meetings with the candidates, Adams said he felt his opposition to hiring Messer-Kruse would only deter other faculty members from giving him tenure.

Gary Lee, the interim chair for the ethnic studies depart-

*"Everyone thinks race is important. Does the fact that he's white disqualify him from the position? We all felt that his being white did not disqualify him."*

SUSANA PENA, VOTING MEMBER ON THE SEARCH COMMITTEE

ment who oversaw the search committee, said that this shouldn't have been a fear since, "there were no tenured members on the committee that will be voting on tenure for other committee members."

That does not allay Adams' concerns. In an open forum discussion, held by LSU, Adams said that once he voiced his resentment as to the outcome, there were members of the committee who singled him out as "a trouble maker."

He said there were faculty members who told him he was "subverting the democratic process, and exercising patriarchal power."

If it is true that Adams has been discriminated against because of his views, Nieman

told Pertusati and her class that Adams should bring it up to the Office of Equity and Diversity.

Susana Pena, a voting member on the search committee, agrees with Nieman. She said these were serious accusations, but also felt Adams assessed the situation differently than the rest of the committee. She said as someone on tenure track, she does have to worry about her job, but that has never prevented her from speaking her mind.

Pena said that because Adams felt so strongly about the need for an ethnic studies chair to have lived experience, everyone discussed it. They disagreed with him.

"Everyone thinks race is

important. Does the fact that he's white disqualify him from the position? We all felt that his being white did not disqualify him," Pena said.

Regardless of how Adams, Pertusati or several students feel about Timothy Messer-Kruse's hire, "what's done is done," Mercedes said.

"All I have to say is one mess up, and LSU will be there. I will be there," she added.

Some people will think attitudes like Mercedes' are reverse racism, but senior Tara Mullins said, "It isn't reverse racism until everyone is equal."

Ethnic studies professor Menon never said everyone was treated equally. "We need to interrogate the privilege of whiteness," she said, "but we also want white students and white professors to engage in this critical critique of race and white privilege." Menon added, "So I see any scholar who is engaging in this same critique of race as an ally."

## University library lacks a dedicated fundraising officer

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variety of people."

Ohio State's library system clearly dwarfs BGSU's, with 20 libraries at the main campus, including medical, law, and business libraries.

"You can't really compare yourself with something [Ohio State] University is trying to do," she said.

While OSU has a long, successful record of funding its libraries' renovations, BGSU has not. Neither has Kent State University.

"We don't have a strong history of raising money from the library," said Barbara Schloman, assistant dean of libraries at KSU. "So we have more of an effort going on right now."

But KSU library officials hope that the recent hiring of a new fundraiser will turn that around.

In December, Diane Ruppelt

was hired as director of constituent development for the Honors College and Libraries at KSU. Her job is to contact past donors and reach out to potential donors.

No comparable position — a development officer dedicated to raising money for the library — exists at BGSU. Julie Pontasch, who is the development office's liaison to Jerome Library, acknowledged that her office doesn't actively seek donations for the library.

The libraries at KSU and Jerome Library have similar structural problems. KSU's main library needs new plumbing, elevators, and the windows need attention, Schloman said.

"The plumbing is just old, and the valves. And water is just such a threat in a library. My gosh. You just don't want to see that. It'd just be disastrous," Schloman said, adding that necessary plumbing replacement will cost millions.

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BARBARA SCHLOMAN, ASST. DEAN OF LIBRARIES, KENT STATE UNIV.

Like Jerome Library on campus, KSU's library has had water leak problems as well. Schloman said she remembers a few years ago, when a plumbing problem sent clean water running down the stairwell like a waterfall.

Until recently, such work wasn't on capital planning lists. Now, these improvements are slated to happen in the next four to six years, she said.

"I'm sure it's a dilemma for [administrators] to know how to use the money they have available and provide new opportunities," Schloman said.

Two years ago, KSU updated

the first floor of the library with new seating, computers, and a coffee bar. Now they are looking to update the rest of the building, too.

"It's time to make it [the building] more user-friendly based on how students want to study, all of that kind of thing. It looks very, very dated," Schloman said. "So, we're just not going to get [state] money for that kind of thing."

Most of the money was given to them by other departments at KSU, but a little came from late fees and fine money. They get to keep

that money every year "as a resource we can draw upon," Schloman said.

BGSU's fundraising

While OSU and KSU's fundraising efforts have hooked them the money for library improvements, BGSU is coming up short.

Lorraine Haricombe, the outgoing dean of libraries at BGSU, has overseen a myriad of fundraising efforts during her five years at the position.

She created three of those initiatives: the Library Advocates Board, which is made up of interested individuals who donate large sums of money to the library; the Libraries' Centennial Campaign, which takes in cash donations; and giving old books to Books of the World, a group that sells books to third-world countries and gives the University a cut of the profits.

There are ongoing programs, such as selling old books for 25 cents, and the Friends of the University Libraries organization, which takes in money through membership fees.

Even the staff themselves donate their own money back to the library.

"Many times staff donate," Haricombe said. "The staff made a \$50 scholarship and gave it to 20 student employees."

But none of these efforts have raised nearly enough to match the \$15 million-price tag on renovations that Jerome needs.

"We don't have a concentrated effort" to raise money, Haricombe said.

*Editor's note: Read the third part of this series Monday for a look at what's required to get a capital planning project approved by administrators, and the process of actually constructing a building on campus.*

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## B!G may go bye-bye

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allow students to charge books at both the University bookstore and off-campus locations like SBX.

"We were assured we'd have a level playing field," he said. "Now questions have been raised in my eyes as to whether that's going to happen."

Kinsella said he and Kokomoor discovered the University's plans to retain an on-campus-only credit system after a report from a November meeting revealed the OneCard steering committee intended to keep that system intact.

Kinsella also said he has since received threats from the University to sue his law firm for attempting to interfere with the OneCard system contract and also for defamation of Jeff Nelson, University bookstore manager and head of the OneCard steering committee, actions which Kinsella said show the University is "just trying to bully us."

But Jane Schimpf, Special Assistant to the Senior Vice President in Finance and Administration, declined to comment on the "potential for litigation," but said the University and SBX have been discussing matters pertaining to the B!G Charge for "a long time" and that as it stands, the future of the B!G Charge is still uncertain.

Schimpf said it is still possible the charge may be opened to businesses such as SBX, but also said the B!G Charge credit system could be eliminated completely. Meanwhile, a task force has been created to examine what the ramifications of actions might be and make final recommendations.

No matter the outcome, Schimpf said the University is keeping students' interests — not business interests — in mind.

"The University has never been motivated by a desire to take business away from anyone," she said. "At all times our primary concern has been convenience to our students."

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**BSU STUDENT ARRESTED FOR SELLING ECSTASY**

A Ball State University freshman could face more than 20 years in prison after he was arrested for selling ecstasy to an undercover agent, officials said. Muncie-Delaware County Drug Task Force agents said Andrew Lascano, 18, had 52 ecstasy pills and about three-fourths of a pound of marijuana in his apartment.

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# Years later, new film revisits 9/11

"United 93" opens in 3 area theatres this weekend; fears of more hatred toward Arabs

By Kelly Day  
REPORTER

Just the mere image of the world trade center collapsing can bring a person to tears.

But a two hour movie, with frame after frame of such haunting images, could be more than some can handle.

Despite the recent debate surrounding "United 93," a soon to be released movie that recreates 9/11 events, several area theaters have booked the controversial film to run this weekend.

The film reenacts what happened on board Flight 93, where passengers overtook hijackers to protect their fellow Americans.

In his director's statement on united93movie.com, director Paul Greengrass describes the film.

"United 93 will take us through the events of 9/11 as they happen in real time — all the confusion, violence, courage and endurance of a day that changed our lives forever," he said.

This play-by-play account is anticipated to be an intense theater experience.

The movie trailer alone, which was included in many theaters' preview line ups during the last few months, has left some unsuspecting moviegoers outraged.

The uproar, which prompted one New York theater to pull the film from the previews after receiving patron complaints, left people uncertain whether the movie would be released on schedule — or at all.

Among those disturbed by the trailer was Breanna Jay, a junior psychology major, who saw the movie trailer on CNN this month.

"Even watching the trailer is kind of overwhelming," she said.

Jay was shocked Hollywood would make a movie about the September 11 attacks so soon after the tragedy occurred.

"It's only been five years since these people died," she said. "I think it's completely disrespectful."

Jay is most concerned about the victims' families, who she believes need more time to grieve the loss of their loved ones.

But to Gordon Felt, the brother of a Flight 93 passenger, the film is a moving tribute to the heroes who joined his brother on board the plane.

"Their efforts to help permanently memorialize the bravery of the 20 passengers and crew of Flight 93 who chose to fight back in the face of violent adversity are remarkable," he said in an interview provided by flight93memorialproject.org.

The film will also give 10 percent of its box-office profits earned this weekend to the Flight 93 National Memorial, located in Pennsylvania where the plane crashed.

Though the victims' families are in support of the film, much of the general public thinks it's too soon for the release of a movie about the 9/11 attacks.

Senior Jennifer Finney, a theater major, was surprised when she saw the "United 93" preview.

"I knew they would make a movie about it," she said. "But I didn't think it would be so soon."

Not only is Universal Pictures coming out with a movie about 9/11, but a made for TV movie, "Flight 93," aired on A&E in January, and Paramount Pictures

will release "World Trade Center," starring Nicolas Cage, this August.

But despite her feelings that it may be too soon for a movie about 9/11, Finney plans to see "United 93."

"I am interested to see it," she said.

Besides being "too soon," many wonder if a movie of this topic should ever be released.

"United 93" has been compared to the 2001 film "Pearl Harbor," which was criticized for being a glamorization of a tragic event.

Neal Jesse, an associate professor in the political science department, is skeptical of what motivates Hollywood filmmakers.

"This is an idea to try to cash in on what they think would resonate with the American public," he said. "When there are defining events that kill a lot of people you should be careful about making entertainment out of it."

Besides the appearance that Hollywood is cashing in, Jay believes there are other problems within the movie.

Jay is concerned the movie will cause a new wave of discrimination towards Arabs, which became most prevalent in America after the 9/11 attacks in 2001.

"It's putting a face to these terrorists," she said.

Jay fears viewers will get too emotionally involved, causing them to relive their feelings towards Arabs from five years ago.

"It's so powerful," she said. "I think it's going to have very negative effects."



**FIVE YEARS LATER:** The world premiere of "United 93" was screened at the Ziegfeld Theatre in New York on Tuesday, April 25.

But Jesse, says it's up to the viewers to decide if they're ready to see the film.

"Whether it's too early or not will be judged by if people show up," Jesse said. "If people don't want to see it they don't have to."

Wanda Whitson, director of Corporate Communications at National Amusements Theaters, agrees with Jesse.

"National Amusement's role is to present our films and enter-

tainment in the best manner possible. Our patrons independently make the decision whether or not they want to see the product," she said.

Area movie-goers can see "United 93" at Showcase Cinemas Levis Commons, Franklin Park 16; Cinema de Lux, and Maumee 18; Cinema de Lux, Woodland Mall Cinema 5 will not be showing the film this weekend, but may in following weeks.

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forbid, I may actually start wearing a tie and one of those dress shirts. The thought alone is just plain disturbing.

All this talk about resumes and interviews, makes me want to sleep. I take five-hour naps all the time. It's great, you should try it.

But working at an actual job over the summer isn't all bad. I volunteered with Habitat for Humanity pretty much non-stop last summer with

my brother. Sure, it wasn't a "job," but it does look pretty spiffy on that resume thing.

We helped them build nine houses with the help of Habitat's warehouse store, which is like an extremely discounted Home Depot.

It's designed to give needy families a chance to make their homes nicer without a build team.

There were a few incidents that highlighted the summer: There was the time an F-150 fully loaded with drywall ran over my foot, but that's alright, or the time we had to clear the salvageable furniture out of a 65-year-old home, where the occupants had passed away with no relatives and no will, allowing the city to take possession of the property. It stank something fierce in there, and none of us had the foresight to bring face masks — which really turned out to be a bad thing.

Maybe I'm just over-reacting. No, no I don't think so. Yeah, I'm pretty sure I'd rather be lazy and lounge around doing nothing. But, considering that's not an option I might as well make the most of what's happening.

Kiss my summers good-bye, and welcome the new idea of working year-round at actual, important position with a bear-hug. Yeah, that sounds like a plan.

I'll do that, after my nap — and maybe a soda.

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## Summer of sequels ahead



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In honor of my impending graduation and the wondrous and beautiful crapfest that is the summer movie season, I will try to guide students through the upcoming film bonanza.

The first major movie coming out this summer is "Mission: Impossible III". Who authorized another sequel to this series? This first movie was cool because of its plot twists. The second movie was really just a bad John Wu flick, complete with flying doves and two-handed pistol action.

The other reason students should not see this movie is Tom Cruise. There are some nice Tom Cruise movies, for example, "Risky Business" and "Collateral". But he certainly hasn't made anything good recently. Remember last summer's "War of the Worlds"? Plus, the man is crazy and as your mother said when your brother was teasing you as a child, "Just ignore him. Paying attention only encourages him."

Another sure flop (artistically speaking anyway) is "Poseidon". This is a remake of the '70's "Poseidon Adventure". I've seen it — it wasn't that great. However, bonus points if the movie is filled with feminine hotties.

Perhaps a nice choice for summer viewing is "X-Men: The Last Stand". I might be coming off as a comic book nerd by advocating the viewing of this film. But given the fact that "X-Men II" was quite better than the first, there is potential that this film has built an even stronger story. Plus, we will finally get to see major mutant action. Damn, I'm a nerd.

If students are eager to see a CG animation cartoon flick, please go see "Over the Hedge". Not because I necessarily think it will be a good movie, but Steve Carrell voices a character and Carrell is a funny, funny man.

Competing in this category

is the latest Pixar film, "Cars". Pixar generally makes family-pleasing movies that even college students can enjoy. Plus Owen Wilson provides his voice for a character. Larry the Cable Guy also plays the role of a tow truck. Thankfully, it's a small part and hopefully little kids won't be traumatized by hearing "Git'r done" every 3 minutes.

Both of these cartoons are recommended movies for the summer. They won't be anything spectacular but perhaps worth the \$10 of a single ticket — \$20 for you men taking dates and \$8 for popcorn and drinks. Personally, I'd rather buy season four of "Curb Your Enthusiasm" on DVD for that price, but hey, to each his own.

Perhaps the big June release is "Superman Returns". Comic book movies have had a nice run of movies as of late. Both Spiderman movies, both X-Men movies and the Batman movies are all excellent.

But Superman? Part of the reason recent super hero movies have done well was the realism of the characters. Spiderman, the X-Men, and Batman all had flaws, they could die, they risked something to save people, they were not invincible. Can Superman make us care about him even though he's invulnerable?

However, on the plus side there should be some cool special effects. And, a special Superman codpiece had to be made because the star of the film's (Brandon Routh) package was so big it was distracting. So we have something for both the fellas and ladies to watch during this 2 hour waste of time.

"Pirates of the Caribbean II" comes out on July 7th. I heard the first one was good, but I haven't seen it, so no comment. But the leading male characters are very dreamy.

Opening on the same day is "A Scanner Darkly", based on the Philip K. Dick novel of the same name. Mr. Dick's novels have been the inspiration for wonderful films like "Blade Runner" and "Total Recall". They have also been the inspiration for bad movies like "Minority Report". Man, Tom Cruise really

needs to step it up.

Anyway, "A Scanner Darkly" stars Keanu Reeves as a detective in the future who is staking out some druggies. He is also another person who is a member of the druggies he is staking out. The catch is both people are controlled by opposing sides of his brain. The book was sadly poignant and if the film reaches 70 percent of its potential, it will be worth purchasing a ticket for.

The obvious choice for movie of the summer is "Snakes on a Plane". Simple plot: There are snakes, on a plane, who will survive? The movie stars Samuel L. Jackson, who signed onto the movie just because of the movie's awesome title.

If students follow this guide I have laid out, they are guaranteed to enjoy their summer movie selections. But beware all you out-of-state students. Make sure there are no snakes on your flight home, because you may not survive, and movies on planes suck. Enjoy your summer movie fun!

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## Draft won't solve problems

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Democrats have come up with an interesting way to get young people to go to the polls — by threatening our lives.

Yes, military conscription is creeping back into U.S. political debate. But in a surprising (and somewhat disturbing) twist, its support is coming mostly from the "anti-war" left.

For instance, Rep. Charles Rangel, D-N.Y., sponsored legislation in January 2003 that would reinstate a draft lottery.

And last year, the center-left magazine Washington Monthly suggested the government force twenty-somethings to risk their lives for the sake of maintaining U.S. strategic supremacy (with the happy side effect of building our character).

The most recent lefty to hop on the conscription bandwagon is Paul Kane, who wrote in the New York Times last week that a draft would scare Iran into backing down from the building

nuclear confrontation with the United States, thus pre-empting the possibility of a war.

Kane's specific argument is pretty silly — the best way for the United States to avoid a war with Iran is, well, to not start one. I have a feeling they're not going to invade anytime soon.

But the general argument Kane and others make in favor of the draft warrants serious consideration, if for no other reason than that the people pushing it are anti-war progressives whose motives (as far as I know) are not in question. (I'd be far less inclined to engage with an op-ed by Dick Cheney about how a draft would benefit the country.) Ultimately, however, the argument doesn't stand up.

The first part, which is that conscription would broaden the amount of people (directly or indirectly) affected by war casualties and would thus force foreign-policy makers to be cautious, is ahistorical at best. After all, the draft did not keep the "containment" wars in Korea and Vietnam from happening.

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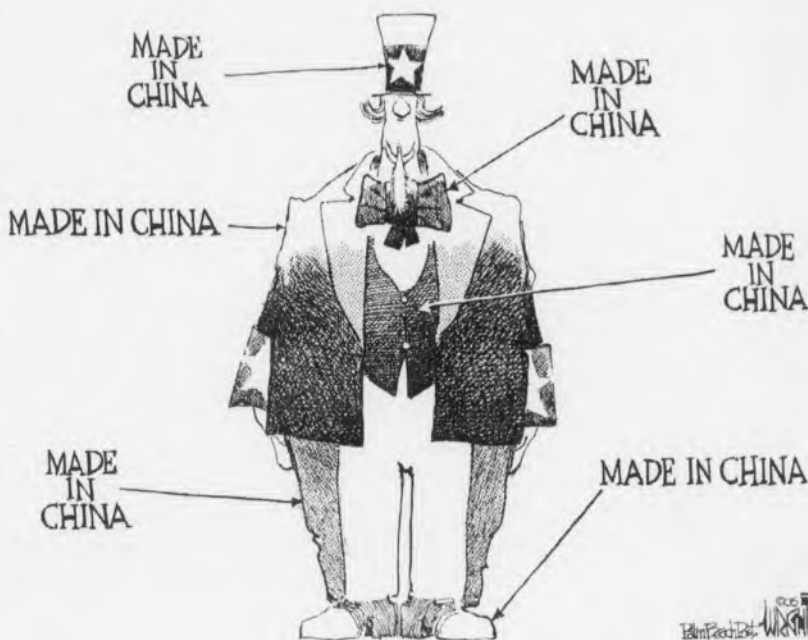
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But we'd be better off tearing out the roots of the problem — severe economic inequality and lack of opportunities — than using a draft to stem one of their many outgrowths.

In other words, the way to fight inequality in the military is to ensure that enlisting is one option among many from which young people can choose, rather than the only way they have a chance to go to college or get a job.

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Pretty soon I'll be watching Al Roker pester tourists on the Today show in the 10 minutes I have before leaving for "work" and actually find it funny, when I'd rather be asleep. Or, heaven



**ANDREW FLAVA**

Opinion Columnist

forbid, I may actually start wearing a tie and one of those dress shirts. The thought alone is just plain disturbing.

All this talk about resumes and interviews, makes me want to sleep. I take five-hour naps all the time. It's great, you should try it.

But working at an actual job over the summer isn't all bad. I volunteered with Habitat for Humanity pretty much non-stop last summer with

my brother. Sure, it wasn't a "job," but it does look pretty spiffy on that resume thing.

We helped them build nine houses with the help of Habitat's warehouse store, which is like an extremely discounted Home Depot.

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There were a few incidents that highlighted the summer: There was the time an F-150 fully loaded with drywall ran over my foot, but that's alright, or the time we had to clear the salvageable furniture out of a 65-year-old home, where the occupants had passed away with no relatives and no will, allowing the city to take possession of the property. It stank something fierce in there, and none of us had the foresight to bring face masks — which really turned out to be a bad thing.

Maybe I'm just over-reacting. No, no I don't think so. Yeah, I'm pretty sure I'd rather be lazy and lounge around doing nothing. But, considering that's not an option I might as well make the most of what's happening.

Kiss my summers good-bye, and welcome the new idea of working year-round at actual, important position with a bear-hug. Yeah, that sounds like a plan.

I'll do that, after my nap — and maybe a soda.

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## Summer of sequels ahead



**GEORGE VALKO**

Opinion Columnist

In honor of my impending graduation and the wondrous and beautiful crapfest that is the summer movie season, I will try to guide students through the upcoming film bonanza.

The first major movie coming out this summer is "Mission: Impossible III". Who authorized another sequel to this series? This first movie was cool because of its plot twists. The second movie was really just a bad John Wu flick, complete with flying doves and two-handed pistol action.

The other reason students should not see this movie is Tom Cruise. There are some nice Tom Cruise movies, for example, "Risky Business" and "Collateral". But he certainly hasn't made anything good recently. Remember last summer's "War of the Worlds"? Plus, the man is crazy and as your mother said when your brother was teasing you as a child, "Just ignore him. Paying attention only encourages him."

Another sure flop (artistically speaking anyway) is "Poseidon". This is a remake of the '70's "Poseidon Adventure". I've seen it — it wasn't that great. However, bonus points if the movie is filled with feminine hotties.

Perhaps a nice choice for summer viewing is "X-Men: The Last Stand". I might be coming off as a comic book nerd by advocating the viewing of this film. But given the fact that "X-Men II" was quite better than the first, there is potential that this film has built an even stronger story. Plus, we will finally get to see major mutant action. Damn, I'm a nerd.

If students are eager to see a CG animation cartoon flick, please go see "Over the Hedge". Not because I necessarily think it will be a good movie, but Steve Carrell voices a character and Carrell is a funny, funny man.

Competing in this category

is the latest Pixar film, "Cars". Pixar generally makes family-pleasing movies that even college students can enjoy. Plus Owen Wilson provides his voice for a character. Larry the Cable Guy also plays the role of a tow truck. Thankfully, it's a small part and hopefully little kids won't be traumatized by hearing "Git'r done" every 3 minutes.

Both of these cartoons are recommended movies for the summer. They won't be anything spectacular but perhaps worth the \$10 of a single ticket — \$20 for you men taking dates and \$8 for popcorn and drinks. Personally, I'd rather buy season four of "Curb Your Enthusiasm" on DVD for that price, but hey, to each his own.

Perhaps the big June release is "Superman Returns". Comic book movies have had a nice run of movies as of late. Both Spiderman movies, both X-Men movies and the Batman movies are all excellent.

But Superman? Part of the reason recent super hero movies have done well was the realism of the characters. Spiderman, the X-Men, and Batman all had flaws, they could die, they risked something to save people, they were not invincible. Can Superman make us care about him even though he's invulnerable?

However, on the plus side there should be some cool special effects. And, a special Superman codpiece had to be made because the star of the film's (Brandon Routh) package was so big it was distracting. So we have something for both the fellas and ladies to watch during this 2 hour waste of time.

"Pirates of the Caribbean II" comes out on July 7th. I heard the first one was good, but I haven't seen it, so no comment. But the leading male characters are very dreamy.

Opening on the same day is "A Scanner Darkly", based on the Philip K. Dick novel of the same name. Mr. Dick's novels have been the inspiration for wonderful films like "Blade Runner" and "Total Recall". They have also been the inspiration for bad movies like "Minority Report". Man, Tom Cruise really

needs to step it up.

Anyway, "A Scanner Darkly" stars Keanu Reeves as a detective in the future who is staking out some druggies. He is also another person who is a member of the druggies he is staking out. The catch is both people are controlled by opposing sides of his brain. The book was sadly poignant and if the film reaches 70 percent of it's potential, it will be worth purchasing a ticket for.

The obvious choice for movie of the summer is "Snakes on a Plane". Simple plot: There are snakes, on a plane, who will survive? The movie stars Samuel L. Jackson, who signed onto the movie just because of the movie's awesome title.

If students follow this guide I have laid out, they are guaranteed to enjoy their summer movie selections. But beware all you out-of-state students. Make sure there are no snakes on your flight home, because you may not survive, and movies on planes suck. Enjoy your summer movie fun!

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## Draft won't solve problems

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Democrats have come up with an interesting way to get young people to go to the polls — by threatening our lives.

Yes, military conscription is creeping back into U.S. political debate. But in a surprising (and somewhat disturbing) twist, its support is coming mostly from the "anti-war" left.

For instance, Rep. Charles Rangel, D-N.Y., sponsored legislation in January 2003 that would reinstate a draft lottery.

And last year, the center-left magazine Washington Monthly suggested the government force twenty-somethings to risk their lives for the sake of maintaining U.S. strategic supremacy (with the happy side effect of building our character).

The most recent lefty to hop on the conscription bandwagon is Paul Kane, who wrote in the New York Times last week that a draft would scare Iran into backing down from the building

nuclear confrontation with the United States, thus pre-empting the possibility of a war.

Kane's specific argument is pretty silly — the best way for the United States to avoid a war with Iran is, well, to not start one. I have a feeling they're not going to invade anytime soon.

But the general argument Kane and others make in favor of the draft warrants serious consideration, if for no other reason than that the people pushing it are anti-war progressives whose motives (as far as I know) are not in question. (I'd be far less inclined to engage with an op-ed by Dick Cheney about how a draft would benefit the country.) Ultimately, however, the argument doesn't stand up.

The first part, which is that conscription would broaden the amount of people (directly or indirectly) affected by war casualties and would thus force foreign-policy makers to be cautious, is ahistorical at best. After all, the draft did not keep the "containment" wars in Korea and Vietnam from happening.

The second argument in favor

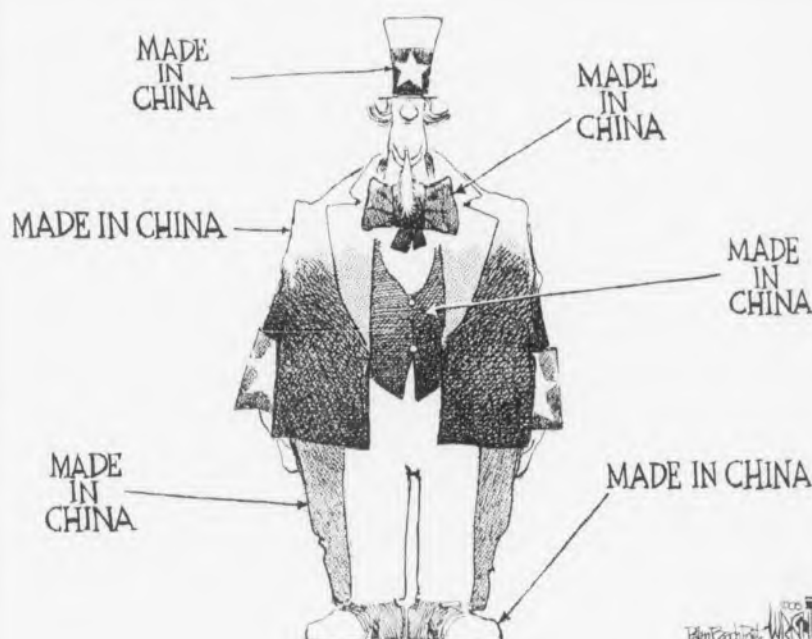
of the draft is more reasonable: Our current "volunteer" military is made up mostly of people who grew up in economic hardship and do not have many options or opportunities outside of military service.

A draft, if executed fairly, would make the distribution of costs more even. And as an upper-class white boy who doesn't need to go fight to pay for college and who benefits from the military service of the less fortunate.

But we'd be better off tearing out the roots of the problem — severe economic inequality and lack of opportunities — than using a draft to stem one of their many outgrowths.

In other words, the way to fight inequality in the military is to ensure that enlisting is one option among many from which young people can choose, rather than the only way they have a chance to go to college or get a job.

Let's solve the inequities in military service by making sure no one is forced to fight — whether for economic reasons or in a draft — instead of coercing everyone.



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The van was about 10 miles north of Taylor's Upland campus, 60 miles northeast of Indianapolis, when the truck crashed through the median about 8 p.m. and slammed into it, authorities said. The impact peeled up the side of the van and threw passengers

from the vehicle.

As word of the deaths spread across the campus of 1,900 students Wednesday night, friends and classmates gathered in the chapel to pray.

Yesterday morning, hundreds returned to the chapel for a prayer service. Classes were canceled for the day, and officials were reconsidering the weekend's planned banquet and inaugural celebrations that had been planned to welcome the university's new president.

Last weekend, Indiana University in Bloomington was in mourning.

Five music school graduate students from the university died when their plane crashed in fog outside Bloomington as they were returning from a concert rehearsal in West Lafayette last Thursday. A preliminary

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The van was about 10 miles north of Taylor's Upland campus, 60 miles northeast of Indianapolis, when the truck crashed through the median about 8 p.m. and slammed into it, authorities said. The impact peeled up the side of the van and threw passengers

from the vehicle.

As word of the deaths spread across the campus of 1,900 students Wednesday night, friends and classmates gathered in the chapel to pray.

Yesterday morning, hundreds returned to the chapel for a prayer service. Classes were canceled for the day, and officials were reconsidering the weekend's planned banquet and inaugural celebrations that had been planned to welcome the university's new president.

Last weekend, Indiana University in Bloomington was in mourning.

Five music school graduate students from the university died when their plane crashed in fog outside Bloomington as they were returning from a concert rehearsal in West Lafayette last Thursday. A preliminary

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**GROUP SUPPORT:** A group of Taylor University students hug outside the Rediger Chapel at Taylor University in Upland, Ind. following a memorial service for five students and staff killed in a highway crash.

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# Bush revisits the devastation

President highlights aid, progress months after Katrina first hit

By Jennifer Loven  
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW ORLEANS — With much of this hurricane-devastated city still piled with debris and lacking basic services, yesterday President Bush looked toward the next hurricane season and promised to make the response "as effective as possible."

"All of us in positions of responsibility appreciate those who are helping us to understand how to do our jobs better," said Bush, whose administration has been faulted for its flawed response after Hurricane Katrina struck the Gulf Coast last August.

It was the president's 11th visit to the region since the hurricane, and it was intended to encourage more volunteers to pitch in on reconstruction efforts.

Bush stopped at a Ninth Ward bungalow restored through volunteer efforts. Ethel Williams, the owner of the single-story, green and white duplex, thanked the volunteers whose efforts allowed her to return to New Orleans from Texas.

"I'm proud that you're here, Mr. President, and I won't ever forget you," she said, her arm around Bush's waist. Her home was on a street still littered with piles of debris. White government trailers sat in many front yards.

"If you're interested in helping the victims of Katrina, interested in helping them get back on their feet, come on down here," Bush said.

The president was met here by Louisiana Gov. Kathleen Blanco and New Orleans Mayor Ray Nagin. Seeking another term, the mayor faces a runoff election next month against Lt. Gov. Mitch Landrieu.

Katrina, which struck last Aug. 29, was one of the worst natural disasters in U.S. history. The



**BUSH RETURNS:** President Bush shakes hands with volunteers on a visit to a home construction site in the Upper Ninth Ward of New Orleans yesterday.

storm killed more than 1,300 people in Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama, left hundreds of thousands of homeless and caused tens of billions of dollars in damage. The government's lagging response to the disaster has contributed to a persistent second-term slump for Bush; his approval ratings remain stuck at record lows.

Against a backdrop of misery nearly eight months after Katrina came ashore, the White House has sought to highlight a massive infusion of federal spending toward the region's reconstruction.

Don Powell, Bush's liaison to hurricane relief efforts, said officials still are struggling to deal

with the mountains of debris in Louisiana created by Katrina's destruction. But he said much progress has been made, including the processing of community block grants in Mississippi, an anticipated restoration of New Orleans' levees to their pre-Katrina condition by a June 1 deadline, and movement on a housing plan for Louisiana.

"There's lots of progress," he told reporters traveling with Bush on Air Force One. "There's still a lot to be done."

Bush's visit came as a bipartisan Senate panel investigating the government's flawed Katrina response released its recommendations, including a finding that the Federal Emergency

Management Agency is crippled beyond repair and should be dismantled in favor of a new agency to handle domestic disasters.

The results of the seven-month Senate inquiry indicate, however, that the United States is still woefully unprepared for another storm of Katrina's scope. The Senate probe followed a House investigation that was critical of Bush and other top federal officials and softer White House conclusions that blamed the Homeland Security Department for most of the breakdowns.

Frances Fragos Townsend, Bush's homeland security adviser, said the government is not completely ready for the new hurricane season.



**FACING ETHNICITIES:** George Washington University students top row: Adrian Lim - Cantonese Chinese; Steve Kwak - Korean; bottom row: Richard Chin - Chinese; Taeho Kim - Korean.

## 'Cross-race effect' is a global phenomenon

Individual features vary within group, others don't notice

By Iris Kuo  
K.H.T.

WASHINGTON — In a recent episode of "The Sopranos," Tony Soprano dreamed that he'd been slapped by a Buddhist monk who mistook him for another white man who'd swindled him.

"All Caucasians look alike," explained the unapologetic monk.

They often do, it turns out, at least to people who aren't Caucasian. For that matter, blacks often look alike to whites and Hispanics to Asians. It's not that people of any one race are harder to distinguish; researchers say that individual features vary equally among races. Rather, it's that people have problems telling people from another group apart.

This so-called "cross-race effect" — something of a misnomer because the phenomenon includes ethnic, cultural and regional groups as well as racial ones — can cause trouble in an increasingly globalized world. For example:

- U.S. forces in Iraq sometimes have mistakenly admitted foreign insurgents because they couldn't tell Saudis or Egyptians from Iraqis, according to Steve Casteel, a U.S. security consultant who until recently advised Iraq's interior ministry, which handles domestic security. Iraqi police who later picked up foreign fighters would discover that the foreign insurgents had convinced U.S. screeners that they were Iraqis.

- U.S. drug agents sometimes can't tell Colombian leaders of smuggling groups from the Peruvian and Bolivian peasants who work for them, said Casteel, a vice president at Vance

International, a worldwide security firm based in Oakton, Va. An agent's ignorance can be dangerous, he continued, because Colombian smugglers are more likely to be armed and violent.

- The Innocence Project, a New York nonprofit legal clinic that tracks life imprisonment convictions that are overturned by DNA evidence, found that white eyewitnesses misidentified innocent blacks 44 percent of the time. That's nearly twice as often as they misidentified innocent whites.

Misidentifications aren't due to racism, however, said Roy Malpass, a psychology professor at the University of Texas at El Paso who's published widely on the cross-race effect.

"People make about 50 percent more errors," he said, whenever they're asked to remember other-race faces.

Malpass bases his estimate on experiments in which researchers asked subjects to study equal numbers of faces from their race and from a different race. After some time passed, the subjects looked at double the number of faces they'd seen before — half of them seen in the earlier trial and half introduced for the first time — and identified those they thought they'd seen before. They all did much better with their own race.

Practice and motivation — such as courting foreign business or someone of another race — can overcome the cross-race effect to a degree.

"But you are much less rapid and accurate," said Scania de Schonen, a neuroscientist at the University of Paris who's studied the cross-race effect in babies, adoptees and immigrants.

Humans develop their recognition skills in infancy, honing them on the faces they see most often, Schonen said.

## Students remember deceased at service

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investigation report, released Wednesday, found no mechanical problems with the plane.

A memorial service for the music school students was held Wednesday evening at a Bloomington theater.

At Taylor, 100 miles northwest of Bloomington, students sobbed and hugged each other outside the campus chapel.

"We don't know why this happened or what will come of it, but we trust that God does,"

said junior David Ridenour, 21, who knew victim Elizabeth A. Smith. She was a leader of a group that organizes missionary trips abroad, he said.

"She was always smiling. She had such a heart for ministries," Ridenour said.

Investigators were trying to determine why the semi had crashed through the median and into the van. The truck driver, identified by police as Robert F. Spencer, 27, of Canton, Mich., was hospitalized in fair condition yesterday.

"It was one of the most horrific crashes I've ever seen," said Indiana State Police Sgt. Rod Russell.

Another Taylor van was following the one involved in the crash, but it had pulled off the highway to refuel and came up on the accident scene soon afterward, said university spokesman Jim Garringer.

Police identified the victims as Elizabeth A. Smith, 22, of Mount Zion, Ill.; Bradley J. Larson, 22, of Elm Grove, Wis.; Whitney E. Cerak, 18, of

Gaylord, Mich.; Laurel E. Erb, 20, of St. Charles, Ill.; and Taylor University employee Monica Felver, 53, of Hartford City.

The university employee driving the van, Vickie L. Rhodes, 54, of Fairmount; employees Connie Magers, 50, of Gas City, and Michele M. Miller, 43, of Marion; and student Laura J. Vanryn, 22, of Caledonia, Mich., were hospitalized. Vanryn was in critical condition after being airlifted to Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne.

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# Operation Falcon nabs crooks

By Mark Sherman  
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — More than 1,100 people wanted in connection with violent sex crimes were among 9,037 fugitives arrested in a weeklong roundup, top law enforcement officials said yesterday.

The arrests were made as

part of "Operation Falcon II," a 27-state dragnet led by the U.S. Marshals Service and timed to coincide with National Victims Rights Week.

This year's focus was on sex offenders, a group that Attorney General Alberto Gonzales has made a priority in his 15 months at the Justice Department.

The operation "targeted the worst of the worst," Gonzales said at a news conference at the Justice Department.

During the week of April 17-23, federal, state and local authorities arrested 1,102 people wanted for violent sex crimes or for failing to register as a sex offender after a prior

conviction for sexual assault.

It was the largest number ever captured in a single law enforcement operation, the department said.

The arrests were made mainly in states west of the Mississippi River, and also in Guam and the Northern Mariana Islands.

# States sue EPA over lack of CO<sup>2</sup> Regulation

By Devlin Barrett  
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Ten states fired a new legal salvo at the federal government yesterday in a long-running court battle over global warming and pollution from power plants.

The states, joined by envi-

ronmental groups, sued the Environmental Protection Agency over its decision not to regulate carbon dioxide pollution as a contributor to global warming.

New York, California, Connecticut, Maine,

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# New bill would cut salaries from \$3,500 to \$700 a year

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effective, rather than efficient, government.

"We're losing sight of the idea of effective government," Lewis said.

Much of the issue stems from different interpretations of the USG charter.

The current charter says the speaker is essentially responsible for the senate — running meetings, setting agendas, and technically serving on all four standing committees.

But Lewis argues the bylaws say most work should be done in committees before being brought to the general assembly.

"In order to make sure that that is actually happening, we have to be able to hold the committee chairs more accountable," Lewis said.

His bill would have changed USG's charter to have both the speaker and committee chairs share responsibility for "insuring the senate is productive."

"Efficiently would be saying, all right, [the] speaker's in charge of everything, we're going to give the speaker all the money, and we're going to make sure the speaker has everything done," Lewis said.

"However, effectively, you've got to start talking about, well you have those four committee chairs as well, what are [they] going to do?"

Lewis had support from the top levels of USG.

"I really encouraged [the Internal Affairs committee] to look at this," said Aaron Shumaker,

USG president this past year.

"The brunt of the work is done in committees," Shumaker said. "We wanted to make sure that we had a way to hold them accountable, and you can do that when they receive a financial stipend."

## From the woodwork...

But mention the idea to senators opposing the bill, and out come a wide range of responses — some steadfast and impassioned, others cautious.

Some senators question whether the bill represents an unfair advantage for USG members, while others said they simply thought the amount specified for the chairs was too high.

Shumaker found himself in the latter category, saying he didn't think any more than \$500 per year was necessary.

While some agreed the bill could be saved by lowering the amount given to the chairs, others called it simply greedy.

"I thought that was completely foolish ... to assume that our committee chairs deserve a stipend," Messmore said.

Sarah Connelly, the academic affairs committee chair this past year, agreed.

"As far as this year goes ... they could have used the money, but they wanted to be a leader and do their job," Connelly said.

"I think that is what's most important," she said "I don't think people should be motivated by money to do anything."

Lewis and Shumaker said USG's unique position on cam-

pus as representative of all students gave them reason for the money.

"I don't think that the work that we do is greater than what [other groups] do," Shumaker said, "but I know that we carry a large responsibility ... to represent the students on any issue out there."

Lewis diffuses claims of selfishness by saying he isn't planning on running for a chair position in 2007-8, the year the legislation would take effect.

"I would never see that money, I'm here on full scholarship," Lewis said, "any type of money that further comes in from the University just goes back to the University."

But the rational still doesn't fly with some.

"We have great student leaders all over campus — Latino Student Union, Black Student Union, Dance Marathon — who really are servants of the people," Messmore said. "They do a lot of great stuff, they spend a lot of time and they get paid nothing," she said.

"I think it's elitist of USG to assume that our leaders deserve money and that we do more beneficial work for the University," Messmore said.

Jeremy Lehman, who became the new speaker on Monday, was one of several senators like Messmore who questioned the fairness of some stipends.

"I don't see the committee chair doing \$700 worth of work," he said, "maybe if it was \$100 or something."

Lehman said he would be com-

fortable with receiving less than \$3,500 as speaker.

## ...they sprout ideas

Within the debate, Jason Snead, the newly elected chair of the organization liaison committee, represents a different approach to the problem.

Snead said a book scholarship of \$100-200 would be acceptable for chairs, but "nothing higher."

"With what I've seen of all the committee chairs, I don't think that I deserve it," Snead said, "I see it more as a public service."

But rather than decreasing the speaker's responsibilities, Snead said, the senate should take the disciplinary action allowed to them by the charter.

"I think ultimately you have to impeach one," he said, "you'd

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have to show them that the senate's going to stand up and say you are not doing your job and we're going to take you out of office."

Or, there's Dominique Simms, a senator who lost the committee

race to Snead on Monday.

Not only does she think the speaker deserves the current stipend, but she'd be willing to give committee chairs money, too, like the book scholarship.

"I think the job in itself deserves something, I just don't think it deserves student tuition dollars," Simms said.

"You elected these people to do a job," she said. "I don't think there's anything elitist about it."

Lewis cautions committee chairs who say they might not need the money now need to think more about if future chairs might.

"In being more selfless, of course, they're going to say, 'no, I don't need it,'" Lewis said.

But, "it's a possibility that [future chairs] may need a stipend."

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## Tighter pollution controls wanted

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Massachusetts, New Mexico, Oregon, Rhode Island, Vermont, and Wisconsin filed the lawsuit in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit.

The states, led by New York Attorney General Eliot Spitzer, want the government to require tighter pollution controls on the newest generation of power plants.

"We feel it's incumbent on EPA to regulate carbon emissions from those power plants now in order to help us get our arms around global warming," said Spitzer spokesman Marc Violette.

EPA spokeswoman Jennifer Wood said the agency "will review all options and make

an informed decision on how to proceed. EPA's climate protection programs continue to exceed the agency's greenhouse gas emissions goals and are on target to meet the president's 18 percent goal to reduce greenhouse gas intensity by 2012."

Also suing the government are the cities of Washington and New York, as well as Environmental Defense, Natural Resources Defense Council and Sierra Club.

New York and other states have fought with the Bush administration for years over carbon dioxide emissions.

In July 2005, a three-judge panel in the same court upheld the EPA's decision not to regulate carbon dioxide emissions from cars and trucks under the Clean Air Act.

## 'I'm in complete and utter shock right now'

By Megan Yodzis  
REPORTER

A fire that broke out in the early hours of yesterday morning devastated a new business in Bowling Green.

Eclipse Salon and Day Spa, located in what was once The Shed on Wooster Street, had been open less than two weeks when a fire forced them to shut down.

"I'm in complete and utter shock right now," said Tootie Russell, owner.

There is a hope some of the business will be salvaged, but for right now it's just a mess, she said.

"I'm trying to keep upbeat about it, my family and I have always gotten through hard events by making jokes and being light hearted about it," Tootie said. "I'll rise again, personally I won't let this get in my way."

Currently the fire is under investigation, according to Capt. Mike Instone of the Bowling Green Fire Department.

"[The opening of Eclipse] all started with the wild notion of opening a place in Bowling Green that you can't find anywhere else," Michael Stickles, business partner, said.

The services offered were full hair — color, texturing and perms — along with two European massage chairs and full waxing and nail services.

Eclipse was open seven days a week because the owners recognized that sometimes Sundays are the only day students have free.

"It's a nice place to come, everyone's friendly and the prices are right," Carol Hintz said Tuesday, as she got her hair styled.

"We created a premier salon and day spa, but tried to keep the prices down because of the location and the college students," Stickles said.

Hintz said she recommended Eclipse to several people, touting the services and hair dressers that worked there.

"Some places you go to you get an attitude from people who have been doing hair and nails for a while and [at Eclipse] you don't get that," said Sarah Snyder prior to the fire.

The owners wanted people to walk in and be greeted right away. They chose this location because everyone has to either go to Sylvania or Toledo to get these kind of services. They wanted students to be able to have a place close to where they are living while in school.

"We wanted people to come here and feel like they didn't want to leave," Stickles said.

Brad and Hellen Russell, Tootie's parents, were the silent business partners funding the opening of Eclipse, they were also very upset and in shock about the fire.

## GOGGLES, KAZOOS AND PASTA



Elizabeth Squire BG News

**MID-AFTERNOON SNACK:** Nathaniel Murray and Patrick Lichty enjoy a snack while watching a Dada performance from the German 360 class outside of Jerome Library.

## BG dean leaving for Kansas

Haricombe beat out four other finalists for competitive position

By Dan Myers  
REPORTER

The University's dean of libraries recently accepted a position at the University of Kansas as their new dean of libraries.

Lorraine Haricombe, who has been the University's library dean since 2001, will leave July 15.

UK selected five finalists — with Haricombe among them — from a larger pool of candidates.

Haricombe was invited to apply for the position in January and went to Kansas for an inter-

*"We're hoping to get someone as good as Lorraine — but I don't know if that's gonna be possible."*

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view April 12 through 14.

The University was informed of Haricombe's new position Wednesday, according to the University's executive vice president, Linda Dobb.

Dobb, who all deans at the University report to, will work with the library staff from "now until the end of the fiscal year" — June 30 — to determine what

the library envisions for a new dean.

"We're hoping to get someone as good as Lorraine — but I don't know if that's gonna be possible," she said with a laugh. "This is a really big opportunity [for her]."

It's a research library that's two or three times the size of Bowling Green's.

Haricombe said she's delighted to move to a large research library like UK's, which is a member of the Association of Research Libraries.

"Since Kansas' library is an ARL library," Haricombe said, "it has those certain benchmarks for research libraries that they eval-

uate based on the size of their collection, budget and staff."

Denise Stephens, UK's information services vice provost, said they're excited to get Haricombe based on her experience at the University.

"We think that Dr. Haricombe has spoken compellingly about the importance of libraries as a fabric of academic institutions," Stephens said in a phone interview. "She's steeped in knowledge about the need to develop staff, and how to lead organizations like libraries that are very unique."

During her five years at the University, Haricombe has started programs to raise funds and make improvements to the library.

Among those initiatives, she began the Library Advocacy Board, which raises funds; refurbished the seventh floor as a study area; began an effort to digitize library materials; and began the Libraries' Centennial Campaign, a program to accept cash donations.

"I move with mixed feelings because Bowling Green has given me a lot of very good experience," Haricombe said. "I've certainly developed experience and skills as a dean here that will serve me well at an ARL library."

HARICOMBE  
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# 'God dogs' and 'Jesus Burgers'

## Late night snacks are a taste of Heaven

By Chelci Howard  
REPORTER

After the infamous last call scream echoes way too loudly in already ringing ears, the options for a 3 a.m. event become few and far between.

Maybe there is a certain theory that many late night patrons have proved in Bowling Green throughout the years. Nothing goes better with alcohol or any other late night fun that one might partake in, than some really greasy food.

And even though there might be an overabundance of good food in the Bowling Green area, it is often served with anything but a smile.

But this hasn't been the case with a place located in a blue house on the corner of Manville and Wooster.

The place is the Active Christians Today, or ACT, house and for about eight years, they have been holding late night Friday cookouts for the masses.

Dave Warner, ACT campus minister for the past 11 years, states that the reason that ACT, which has been active on campus since 1972, decided to hold the event during Friday night/Saturday morning is because the group felt they could meet the most people that way.

"It's not a matter of recruitment; that's the farthest things from our minds," Warner said. "We in no way push ACT. The purpose of the event is to provide a safe place where people could come and feel accepted."

And one student who approached Warner this year felt just that.

"One guy came by early this year and said he had come several times," Warner said. "He said he didn't remember a lot, but he felt accepted here and felt we didn't judge him. We aren't judging anybody and accept anyone who comes by."

And a lot of people have come by. Just last Friday at ACT's cookout, Warner stated that they gave over 1,500 hamburgers and hot dogs away, which have been lovingly dubbed by students "Jesus Burgers" and "God Dogs."

This is made possible by dedicated ACT alumni who value the cookouts' importance and by individuals in town who like the idea, according to Warner. Local churches also help support the events as well.

The object of the cookouts is not surrounded by financial gain, since the food is free of charge. All ACT wants to do, according to Warner, is let people on campus and in the community know that someone truly cares about them.

"We have had people come who were very sick and were expe-

riencing alcohol poisoning and we had to call the EMT," Warner said. "We were able to get them to the hospital before it was too late and something bad happens."

But those memories are few and ACT has experienced some really fun nights due to the event.

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## Students enter the world of business

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Magic cards in Ohio, according to Merced.

And why a LAN lounge?

The pair's motivation for the creation was simple: They both love video games.

"We're both big gamers," said Marugg. "I'm excited because it's such a great environment. You couldn't ask for a better place to be working."

The <gamers> Lounge is having its grand opening today and will be offering its customers passes for \$4 an hour, passes for open-to-5 p.m. for \$8 and from 5 p.m. to close for \$15.

Merced said there will be an opening-week deal going on. Gamers can stop into The <gamers> Lounge where an hour of gaming is only \$2 an hour until May 7.

The lounge is located at 902 East Wooster Street and their phone number is 419-352-0531.

By Nick Carrabine  
REPORTER

Being an ITS Lab Consultant can really mess with your sleeping schedule, no one knows this better than Jiten Dadlani, sophomore.

Dadlani, whose friends call him Jits, has been working as an ITS Lab Consultant for six months now and has worked all kinds of hours inside of the campus computer labs.

"For the first two years you work for ITS, you are required to take one inconvenient shift per week, which is either a shift from midnight until 4 a.m., or 4 a.m. until 8 a.m.," Dadlani said. "We are required to work at least ten hours per week as well."

Dadlani tries to schedule classes around his inconvenient shift so that he can get enough sleep every day.

Dadlani also had to complete

quite a bit of training to land the ITS job.

"We had two meeting sessions a week for about a month or so," he said. "During this time we learned all the procedures involved with all of the ITS computer labs such as lab opening and closing procedures, reservation procedures, problem solving and reporting and emergency procedures."

During his shifts Dadlani assists clients with basic operations of hardware and software, is responsible for the lab's security, detects and removes viruses and much more.

"I usually clock in and then take a headcount and enter it into the ITS system," he said. "Then I make sure everything is working properly and I help clients to the best of my knowledge with any problems they might be experiencing with their computer."

In his downtime in the lab,

Dadlani will make sure the place stays clean while taking headcounts about every half hour.

He also catches up on some homework if time is permitted.

Dadlani prefers this job as opposed to other jobs on campus because of his prior experiences working with computers.

"I had done some prior web design work and database processing," he said. "Also the job pays great and I can get some schoolwork done."

Besides working with computers, Dadlani is just like any other college student who enjoys hanging out with friends and listening to music. He is also a pretty big Cavaliers fan.

"My friends would probably say that I am very outgoing, funny, and an all around chip off the old block," Dadlani said. "I like to have a good time, but it makes me mad when the Cavs lose."



**COMPUTER MAN:** Jiten Dadlani, sophomore, works as an ITS worker for six months now. Dadlani keeps the lab clean in his downtime.

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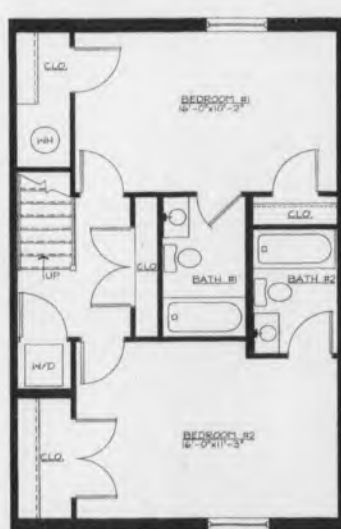
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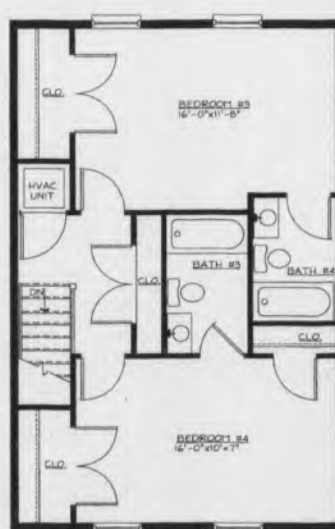
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## SOFTBALL

# Falcons struggling at plate

## Team hopes for spark offensively in weekend series with UT

By Dan Wyar  
REPORTER

Liz Vrabel notched her 14th complete game of the season Wednesday against DePaul, but the rest of the BGSU softball team left their bats in Bowling Green as the Falcons were shutout by the Blue Demons 8-0 and 1-0 in two games in Chicago.

"DePaul had great pitching, but I just think that we pushed too much to try to get hits and when we push we really don't do well," said center fielder Jeanine Baca, who with two hits on the day moved to 13th all time in Falcon softball history. "We weren't really relaxed up there like we know how to be."

The two losses put the Falcons at 30-20 on the season and they also marked the fifth and sixth time that the team has been shutout this season, all of which have come against non conference opponents.

DePaul's Stephanie Blagaich pitched 12 innings in the two games, allowing just six hits and allowing only one runner past second base while improving to 11-3 on the year. She sat down 13 consecutive Falcon hitters to start game two, until Allison Vallas belted a one-out single in the fifth inning to end Blagaich's perfect game.

Although she took the loss, Vrabel matched Blagaich pitch-for-pitch in game two, until the bottom of the sixth when DePaul's Jackie Tarulli-Fisher belted a solo homerun over the leftfield fence to put the Blue Demons up 1-0.

DePaul, which was one of



Neal Cropper BG News

**BANG BANG:** Dawnjene DeLong applies a tag on a Detroit player last month during a home doubleheader. The Falcons were held scoreless in a pair of losses Wednesday at DePaul and hope to break out of the slump this weekend as they host Toledo in a two-game series starting at 2 p.m. today.

eight teams to reach the Women's College World Series last season, improved to 27-15.

The loss put Vrabel at 16-10 on the season and the homerun by Tarulli-Fisher was the 10th long-ball given up by Vrabel this season. Her six strikeouts on the afternoon put her at 750 for her career, which is best all time in BGSU history and

third all time in Mid-American Conference history.

Sophomore Emily Gouge, who has been lights-out for the Falcons all season, fell to 7-1 on the season, giving up eight runs on 11 Blue Demon hits over five innings. The 8-0 blanking marked the first time the Falcons lost a 'run rule' game since their 10-1 loss to Marshall on March 31, 2004.

Senior and reigning MAC Player of the Year Gina Rango went 1-for-4 — the one hit being the 250th of her career.

The Falcons will head back to the friendly confines of Bowling Green this weekend for a MAC match-up against archrival Toledo.

The Falcons went 2-1 against the Rockets last season, garnering

21 hits in the two victories, while Vrabel went the distance in both of those wins, striking out 16.

The games will be the final home games for Falcon seniors Liz Vrabel, Gina Rango, Abby Habicht and Lindsay Heimrich, with Sunday's game preceded by 'Senior Day' ceremonies.

"It's going to be sad for all of us. We've grown each other since my

freshman year and we've become close, so to watch them go is going to be really sad," Baca said. "But these two games we're just going to do it for the seniors. This is our last home game and we're going to out big for them."

The game on Saturday is at 2 p.m. and the game on Sunday is at 1 p.m., both at the BGSU Softball Field.

## BASEBALL

# No time to celebrate for BGSU

### Fresh off win over ND, Falcons now ready for business within MAC

By John Turner  
REPORTER

BGSU baseball coach Dan Schmitz knows that in Mid-American Conference play, every game is as important as the next. But fresh off a road win over nationally-ranked Notre Dame, and heading into a weekend series against MAC East rival Miami, it's hard to not to look at this series as one where the Falcons can really make their case as a contender in the East.

"Every conference weekend is big," Schmitz said. "There is no doubt that with Miami coming



Sean Pierson BG News

**LAUGH AROUND:** Andrew Foster and a BGSU teammate chat with assistant coach Kyle Knoblauch during a game earlier this year. The Falcons had plenty to smile about Wednesday as they upset Notre Dame.

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## WOMENS GOLF

# Young and BG excited for MAC tournament

### BG will be paired with returning champ Kent State at Cincinnati

By Chris Voloschuk  
REPORTER

After ninth and sixth place finishes at the Illinois and Rocket Spring Classics, the BGSU women's golf team has been hard at work getting ready for the ultra-important Mid-American Conference Championship.

Sophomore Jessica McCann, who was named MAC Golfer of the week just seven days ago, believes the team is ready to compete with the rest of the MAC this weekend.

"Our focus is really high," McCann said. "We are making sure we stay positive and work hard. Staying focused throughout the entire tournament will be key."

Coach Stephanie Young is also confident that the team is

### MAC CHAMPIONSHIP

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ready to go.

"We're very excited," Young said. "Everybody's coming off of strong finishes and playing well."

The MAC Championship will be taking place from today through Sunday, at the upscale Walden Ponds Golf Club near Cincinnati, with BG serving as tournament host. Every team in the conference will be there, including Kent State, who won the tournament a season ago. Oddly enough, the Golden Flashes will be paired up with the Falcons over the course of the event. Team co-captain

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## MENS GOLF

# Consistency the key for BG men

### Winger hopes his squad puts together three solid rounds

By Heather Riedel  
REPORTER

Putting three good rounds together and hopefully beating some Mid-American Conference teams are two of the goals that the University Men's Golf Team has for this weekend as they travel to Akron to participate in the FirstEnergy Intercollegiate.

For the past few weeks the team cannot seem to play up

to par for all three rounds. They have recently overcome the first round curse of having high scores and then playing well the rest of the tournament. But last weekend, BG fell from fifth place to 12th place in the final round. BG coach Garry Winger looks forward to when his team will bring it altogether.

"After the first round, we could've won it if we had obviously played better. Now, we have to figure out how to put three rounds together," Winger said earlier this week.

Winger added that the team has one more week to prepare for the MAC Championships and said that the Akron tour-

nament at Firestone Country Club should be a good way to get the team ready for MAC competition.

"We've played well there in the past and hopefully we can get a good finish under our belt to have a positive note heading into the MAC tournament," Winger said.

While concentrating on playing well all three rounds and trying to stay with the competition, the Falcons will also hopefully bring home a win. Jace Walker, sophomore, said he thinks the team can play as well as anyone and hopes to win the Akron tournament.

"It should be another good chance to play well and another chance to win, but we need to play better," Walker said. "It's a really good course and there are a lot of good teams there [at Firestone]."

14 teams will be competing in the tournament including: Eastern Michigan, Kent State, Western Kentucky and the University of Akron.

Winger added that the team that hosts the tournament is usually the team to beat. The Akron Zips placed sixth in last year's tournament as the Falcons finished ninth so they

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# Carpenter prefers intimacy

Coach's son will spend Saturday with family members and friends

By Rusty Miller

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

COLUMBUS — At the time fans begin crowding into Radio City Music Hall in New York City for Saturday's first day of the NFL draft, the Carpenters will swing open the doors to their home in Lancaster, Ohio.

Rob Carpenter, the family patriarch, is the head football coach at Lancaster High, about a half-hour drive southeast of Columbus through a mix of

urban sprawl and farm fields.

He grew up in Lancaster and spent 10 years in the NFL as a running back. His wife, Susie, is also a teacher and coach in their hometown. Their roots run deep in the community where Friday Night Lights isn't a book or movie but a typical week in the autumn.

This Saturday belongs to their son, Bobby. A ferocious and precocious linebacker while playing for his father and then at Ohio State, Bobby is projected to be a possible first-round draft pick.

"We've got a bunch of food for all of his high-school buddies to come here and watch it

with him," Rob says, chuckling. "Everybody's excited for him."

While other potential draft-ees will be putting on Armani suits and primping for the cameras in New York, Bobby will be surrounded by the people he loves most. He turned down the chance to attend the draft so he could shoot pool and play table tennis with younger brothers Jonathan, George and Nate and while away the time until his name is announced at the podium.

"Something good's going to happen for Bobby," Susie said. "We just want to focus on that. We'll be happy, what-

ever team picks him."

Neighbors, relatives, friends, teachers and teammates will pack into the Carpenter home, set on 30 acres on the outskirts of Lancaster. They'll hold their breaths to find out where Bobby — a 6-foot-3, 255-pounder with shoulder-length blond hair — will play as a professional. Wherever it is, they know it won't replace home.

"I'll be at my parents' house," he said of his draft day plans. "It's something special I can share with them."

Unlike several other stage-

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## BG hopes to make up ground in East

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in, the preseason pick to win the conference, it's a huge weekend for us."

BG is 9-6 in league play and second in the MAC East standings, two games behind Kent State. This weekend the Falcons will look to close in on the Golden Flashes as they head home to play Miami at Warren Steller Field. The teams will meet at 3 p.m. today and at 1 p.m. tomorrow and Sunday.

Alan Brech will get the nod in game one, as he looks to duplicate the 1.57 ERA and 16 strikeout performances he has had in his

last three starts. Brech and fellow starters will need to be at the top of their game as they battle a trio of Miami pitchers that have been a force all season long.

"The strength of their team is in their starting pitchers so we've got to go out there and try and outmatch them and give us a chance to win in late innings," Brech said.

The Falcons have been hot at home, tallying an 11-1 record. A key component to this start has been the team's ability to score early, as BG has been perfect in 11 games when they have scored in the first inning at home. Although players know it's not always the

difference between a win and a loss, they admit quick leads are a nice luxury to have.

"It's not something we really harp on but it's always a plus to jump ahead really early and it's a boost for the rest of the game," said Eric Lawson. "If we don't score early we don't panic, but it just makes everything a little easier."

Along with pointing out the importance of the early lead, Schmitz noted there is one player that the team will have to keep their eye on if they want to be successful.

Ryne Robinson, who is also a receiver on the football team, is a

guy we'll have to keep off base," Schmitz said. "When he gets on he can cause havoc — last time he was a real thorn in the side to say the least."

BG holds a three-game lead in the division over the RedHawks, but that's nothing the team is taking lightly. Instead, players look at this as a time where they can make sure there is one less team competing for that top spot.

"With the situation we're in right now in the MAC, all these series are big, but especially this one," Lawson said. "We can knock them out of the race and put ourselves in solid position."



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CLOTHES LINE: Washington's Brendan Haywood applies a hard foul on LeBron James in the Wizards game two win Tuesday.

## Arenas hopes to upstage LeBron

Wizards star says the "Assassin" will show up this series

By Joseph White

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — See LeBron play well. See the Cleveland Cavaliers win.

See LeBron play not-so-well. See the Cavaliers lose.

The first-round meeting between the Cavaliers and Washington Wizards might as well be called the LeBron James Series, given all the attention paid to the Cleveland star making his playoff debut.

Gilbert Arenas wouldn't mind doing a bit of upstaging. With the series tied going into Friday's Game 3 in

Washington, the Wizards' point guard was asked when there will be a return of the "Eastern Conference Assassin," the nickname he gave himself after being snubbed in the coaches' voting for the All-Star game.

"I'm waiting. I'm waiting," Arenas said Thursday. "Right now, they're focused on me. And they should be. But as long as we're in the game, I don't need to try to attack."

"But don't worry. He will come out in the series." Arenas, who eventually made the All-Star game as an injury replacement, had more 40-point games (11) than James (10) during the

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## One round won't be enough for Falcons

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are looking forward to beating their rank from 2005.

"This [past] weekend we proved that we can play with anyone in the MAC with our first round," Walker said. "If we play how we're able to, we can beat anyone."

Winger agrees with Walker and said that the past few weeks

have been stressful for the team because of finals coming up and the tough tournaments. But he said that he has a good group of golfers and that they can play well on any course.

"We are excited to play at Firestone because it's a great facility and it's a beautiful place," Winger said. "We're just going to have to put two good days together this weekend."

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**LOW KEY:** Bobby Carpenter (42) will be around his friends and family when his name is called during this weekend's NFL Draft.

## Piano man isn't a typical coach's kid

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door parents who have pushed and prodded their kids every step of the way into the NFL. Bobby has not been preprogrammed for draft day — even though his father was a third-round draft pick of the Houston Oilers in 1977 and earned his paycheck by blocking for Earl Campbell.

The Carpenters' approach to parenting was to show their boys the possibilities. Bobby wasn't permitted to play organized football until he was 13. His mother insisted that he take piano lessons. He was a competitive swimmer long before he put on shoulder pads.

Growing up in an athletic, active family headed by coaches, it was only natural for Bobby to take up football. He excelled while playing for his father, but it was repeatedly made clear to him that he would not be treated differently because he was an athlete and would not receive any special treatment because he was the coach's son. If anything, it worked the other way.

Bobby migrated to Ohio State where the Buckeyes won the national championship his first year. As a freshman, he mostly watched from the sideline and learned in practice by watching standout linebackers Cie Grant and Matt Wilhelm.

In time, he joined with A.J. Hawk — a likely top-10 pick on Saturday — and Anthony Schlegel to form one of the best linebacking crews to play for the Buckeyes. Carpenter's teams went 43-8 during his career,

although he missed the final two victories over rival Michigan and Fiesta Bowl opponent Notre Dame after breaking his foot on the first play against Michigan.

Fully healed, he was a gadfly at the NFL scouting combine in February. Almost every team he spoke with wanted to know about him — and his father.

"My dad's been pretty hands-off with me, but the biggest thing is the relationships he has with a lot of (NFL) guys," Bobby said. "He knows someone at almost every franchise. That kind of gives me a little advantage there, being able to talk to someone pretty much every place I went and knowing that, hey, this guy knew my dad and respects him. Hopefully, his reputation precedes me and people will look at me in that same light."

Rob has tried to answer his son's questions, but — just like when he was growing up — wants him to come to his own conclusions. He is hesitant to even discuss his playing days and adapting to the NFL lifestyle.

"It's a very transient society," he said simply.

The Carpenters lived in New York, Houston and Los Angeles during Rob's playing days. Entrenched in small-town Ohio, those days are distant memories.

Even though Saturday is a day of celebration for Bobby, it also is a turning point. No one knows that better than Susie.

"This is his big dream. This has been one of the goals in his life," she said.

## Washington outnumbers Cavs 3-1

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regular season, but against the Cavaliers he has yet to have one of those stretches where he carries the Wizards.

Arenas scored 26 points in the Game 1 loss and 30 in the Game 2 victory, but he's only shooting 39 percent (17-for-44) and has frequently been content to distribute the ball against a Cavaliers defense that is obviously wary of the No. 4 scorer in the league.

"I think he may be more aggressive," Washington coach Eddie Jordan said. "He's a little bit different at home — he attacks early and often. But he knows that the best players help their teammates, and that's what he's been doing."

A big game from Arenas isn't required for a Washington victory. James may be the Chosen One, but the Wizards have the Big Three. In Game 2, it

was Caron Butler who almost single-handedly dug his team out of an early hole by scoring 10 of 14 points during a first-quarter run. Arenas took over from there, then he got struggling Antawn Jamison in gear by saying, "You've got to let that thing fly."

"He pump-faked and threw the ball to Brendan (Haywood), and the ball got stolen," Arenas said. "I'm like, 'That's not what you do.' ... When Antawn is at his best is when he's not thinking. He just has to shoot it and let it fly and not think about looking for somebody else."

Jamison got going with a four-point play and scored 19 of his 21 points in the second half.

"That was big for me," Jamison said. "For some reason, I just couldn't get it going. To knock the shot down and go to the free-throw line, it kind of got me into a rhythm and kind of got my energy up."

The Big Three had finally come to play.

"We really put it upon our shoulders to come out and play well," Jamison said. "Caron had it going early and I had it going late. Those are the things that we're accustomed to. Teams know that we're the highest-scoring trio in the league. If we're playing well, it's going to be hard to beat us."

The Wizards are interested to see how James reacts in his first road playoff game, where the crowd will be mostly hostile and the public address announcer won't be bellowing his praises after every made basket.

"They have Eric Snow, Donyell Marshall, they have players who have been to playoff games," Arenas said, "but the main player on that team hasn't, and I think that's where our advantage is."

For his part, James appears unfazed by the prospect of play-

ing on the road — or by his performance in Game 2. The Wizards dared him to do more by guarding him one-on-one, but they also made sure they put a body on him whenever he entered the paint.

"Roughhousing, that never has an effect on my game," James said. "I can play finesse. I can play physical. Whatever type of game there is, I'm going to be there for it."

James, like Arenas, had a bit of a guarantee of his own.

"I felt myself forcing the action a little bit in Game 2," James said. "You learn from mistakes, of course. I've always been able to do that. My teammates are going to want me to do things. I can't shy away from the action. If I'm out there missing shots or if I'm making shots, I've still got to be aggressive."

"You learn from it, and I'll be ready for Game 3. I promise you."

## Young hoping to avoid killer hole at MAC

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Amanda Schroeder knows that keeping up with the Flashes will be very important to her team's success.

"If we can play with them (KSU) and maintain our focus, we'll be in great position for the final rounds," Schroeder said. "If anything, playing with a great team like Kent will be a good learning experience."

In order to be as competitive as possible this weekend, the ladies have put in a lot of work at practice this week getting their game in check.

Young said the team has been

working on short game the most, doing a number of putting and chipping drills.

They're also paying close attention to reducing stroke totals from 100 yards and in. For Young, minimizing big-score holes will be a huge key to success for her team.

"In the last tournament (Rocket Invite) there would always be one hole that would kill us," Young said. "We've been working on keeping scores lower and getting more pars."

McCann noted that another way the team is getting ready for the MAC tourney is to imagine they are already at the course.

"We are practicing as if we're already there," McCann said. "We are picturing ourselves hitting the shots and making the putts at Walden Ponds."

Along with all the drills at practice, the team is also preparing for the course itself, learning about its conditions and the way it plays. Schroeder has noticed some things that will help keep scores lower over the course of the three rounds.

"Walden Ponds has thick rough, and keeping the ball straight will determine our scores," Schroeder said. "If we can control our shots and limit our mistakes, we'll be in

good shape."

Over the course of this weekend, BG will have a lot to keep track of, from short game to competing with Kent State to just keeping scores low. But the team is focused and ready to make a good showing. Over the course of the spring season, Young has noticed much improvement in the girls.

"Confidence has gotten higher," Young said. "Everybody is in good spirits. Course management has gotten better and we're finding ways to score well."

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# Carpenter prefers intimacy

Coach's son will spend Saturday with family members and friends

By Rusty Miller

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

COLUMBUS — At the time fans begin crowding into Radio City Music Hall in New York City for Saturday's first day of the NFL draft, the Carpenters will swing open the doors to their home in Lancaster, Ohio.

Rob Carpenter, the family patriarch, is the head football coach at Lancaster High, about a half-hour drive southeast of Columbus through a mix of

urban sprawl and farm fields.

He grew up in Lancaster and spent 10 years in the NFL as a running back. His wife, Susie, is also a teacher and coach in their hometown. Their roots run deep in the community where Friday Night Lights isn't a book or movie but a typical week in the autumn.

This Saturday belongs to their son, Bobby. A ferocious and precocious linebacker while playing for his father and then at Ohio State, Bobby is projected to be a possible first-round draft pick.

"We've got a bunch of food for all of his high-school buddies to come here and watch it

with him," Rob says, chuckling.

"Everybody's excited for him." While other potential draft-ees will be putting on Armani suits and primping for the cameras in New York, Bobby will be surrounded by the people he loves most. He turned down the chance to attend the draft so he could shoot pool and play table tennis with younger brothers Jonathan, George and Nate and while away the time until his name is announced at the podium.

"Something good's going to happen for Bobby," Susie said. "We just want to focus on that. We'll be happy, what-

ever team picks him."

Neighbors, relatives, friends, teachers and teammates will pack into the Carpenter home, set on 30 acres on the outskirts of Lancaster. They'll hold their breaths to find out where Bobby — a 6-foot-3, 255-pounder with shoulder-length blond hair — will play as a professional. Wherever it is, they know it won't replace home.

"I'll be at my parents' house," he said of his draft day plans. "It's something special I can share with them."

Unlike several other stage-

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## BG hopes to make up ground in East

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in, the preseason pick to win the conference, it's a huge weekend for us."

BG is 9-6 in league play and second in the MAC East standings, two games behind Kent State. This weekend the Falcons will look to close in on the Golden Flashes as they head home to play Miami at Warren Steller field. The teams will meet at 3 p.m. today and at 1 p.m. tomorrow and Sunday.

Alan Brech will get the nod in game in one, as he looks to duplicate the 1.57 ERA and 16 strikeout performances he has had in his

last three starts. Brech and fellow starters will need to be at the top of their game as they battle a trio of Miami pitchers that have been a force all season long.

"The strength of their team is in their starting pitchers so we've got to go out there and try and outmatch them and give us a chance to win in late innings," Brech said.

The Falcons have been hot at home, tallying an 11-1 record. A key component to this start has been the team's ability to score early, as BG has been perfect in 11 games when they have scored in the first inning at home. Although players know it's not always the

difference between a win and a loss, they admit quick leads are a nice luxury to have.

"It's not something we really harp on but it's always a plus to jump ahead really early and it's a boost for the rest of the game," said Eric Lawson. "If we don't score early we don't panic, but it just makes everything a little easier."

Along with pointing out the importance of the early lead, Schmitz noted there is one player that the team will have to keep their eye on if they want to be successful.

"Ryne Robinson, who is also a receiver on the football team, is a

guy we'll have to keep off base," Schmitz said. "When he gets on he can cause havoc — last time he was a real thorn in the side to say the least."

BG holds a three-game lead in the division over the RedHawks, but that's nothing the team is taking lightly. Instead, players look at this as a time where they can make sure there is one less team competing for that top spot.

"With the situation we're in right now in the MAC, all these series are big, but especially this one," Lawson said. "We can knock them out of the race and put ourselves in solid position."



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CLOTHES LINE: Washington's Brendan Haywood applies a hard foul on LeBron James in the Wizards game two win Tuesday.

## Arenas hopes to upstage LeBron

Wizards star says the "Assassin" will show up this series

By Joseph White

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — See LeBron play well. See the Cleveland Cavaliers win.

See LeBron play not-so-well. See the Cavaliers lose.

The first-round meeting between the Cavaliers and Washington Wizards might as well be called the LeBron James Series, given all the attention paid to the Cleveland star making his playoff debut.

Gilbert Arenas wouldn't mind doing a bit of upstaging. With the series tied going into Friday's Game 3 in

Washington, the Wizards' point guard was asked when there will be a return of the "Eastern Conference Assassin," the nickname he gave himself after being snubbed in the coaches' voting for the All-Star game.

"I'm waiting. I'm waiting," Arenas said Thursday. "Right now, they're focused on me. And they should be. But as long as we're in the game, I don't need to try to attack."

"But don't worry. He will come out in the series." Arenas, who eventually made the All-Star game as an injury replacement, had more 40-point games (11) than James (10) during the

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## One round won't be enough for Falcons

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are looking forward to beating their rank from 2005.

"This [past] weekend we proved that we can play with anyone in the MAC with our first round," Walker said. "If we play how we're able to, we can beat anyone."

Winger agrees with Walker and said that the past few weeks

have been stressful for the team because of finals coming up and the tough tournaments. But he said that he has a good group of golfers and that they can play well on any course.

"We are excited to play at Firestone because it's a great facility and it's a beautiful place," Winger said. "We're just going to have to put two good days together this weekend."

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**LOW KEY:** Bobby Carpenter (42) will be around his friends and family when his name is called during this weekend's NFL Draft.

## Piano man isn't a typical coach's kid

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door parents who have pushed and prodded their kids every step of the way into the NFL, Bobby has not been preprogrammed for draft day — even though his father was a third-round draft pick of the Houston Oilers in 1977 and earned his paycheck by blocking for Earl Campbell.

The Carpenters' approach to parenting was to show their boys the possibilities. Bobby wasn't permitted to play organized football until he was 13. His mother insisted that he take piano lessons. He was a competitive swimmer long before he put on shoulder pads.

Growing up in an athletic, active family headed by coaches, it was only natural for Bobby to take up football. He excelled while playing for his father, but it was repeatedly made clear to him that he would not be treated differently because he was an athlete and would not receive any special treatment because he was the coach's son. If anything, it worked the other way.

Bobby migrated to Ohio State where the Buckeyes won the national championship his first year. As a freshman, he mostly watched from the sideline and learned in practice by watching standout linebackers Cie Grant and Matt Wilhelm.

In time, he joined with A.J. Hawk — a likely top-10 pick on Saturday — and Anthony Schlegel to form one of the best linebacking crews to play for the Buckeyes. Carpenter's teams went 43-8 during his career,

although he missed the final two victories over rival Michigan and Fiesta Bowl opponent Notre Dame after breaking his foot on the first play against Michigan.

Fully healed, he was a gadfly at the NFL scouting combine in February. Almost every team he spoke with wanted to know about him — and his father.

"My dad's been pretty hands-off with me, but the biggest thing is the relationships he has with a lot of (NFL) guys," Bobby said. "He knows someone at almost every franchise. That kind of gives me a little advantage there, being able to talk to someone pretty much every place I went and knowing that, hey, this guy knew my dad and respects him. Hopefully, his reputation precedes me and people will look at me in that same light."

Rob has tried to answer his son's questions, but — just like when he was growing up — wants him to come to his own conclusions. He is hesitant to even discuss his playing days and adapting to the NFL lifestyle.

"It's a very transient society," he said simply.

The Carpenters lived in New York, Houston and Los Angeles during Rob's playing days. Entrenched in small-town Ohio, those days are distant memories.

Even though Saturday is a day of celebration for Bobby, it also is a turning point. No one knows that better than Susie.

"This is his big dream. This has been one of the goals in his life," she said.

## Washington outnumbers Cavs 3-1

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regular season, but against the Cavaliers he has yet to have one of those stretches where he carries the Wizards.

Arenas scored 26 points in the Game 1 loss and 30 in the Game 2 victory, but he's only shooting 39 percent (17-for-44) and has frequently been content to distribute the ball against a Cavaliers defense that is obviously wary of the No. 4 scorer in the league.

"I think he may be more aggressive," Washington coach Eddie Jordan said. "He's a little bit different at home — he attacks early and often. But he knows that the best players help their teammates, and that's what he's been doing."

A big game from Arenas isn't required for a Washington victory. James may be the Chosen One, but the Wizards have the Big Three. In Game 2, it

was Caron Butler who almost single-handedly dug his team out of an early hole by scoring 10 of 14 points during a first-quarter run. Arenas took over from there, then he got struggling Antawn Jamison in gear by saying, "You've got to let that thing fly."

"He pump-faked and threw the ball to Brendan (Haywood), and the ball got stolen," Arenas said. "I'm like, 'That's not what you do.' ... When Antawn is at his best is when he's not thinking. He just has to shoot it and let it fly and not think about looking for somebody else."

Jamison got going with a four-point play and scored 19 of his 21 points in the second half.

"That was big for me," Jamison said. "For some reason, I just couldn't get it going. To knock the shot down and go to the free-throw line, it kind of got me into a rhythm and kind of got my energy up."

The Big Three had finally come to play.

"We really put it upon our shoulders to come out and play well," Jamison said. "Caron had it going early and I had it going late. Those are the things that we're accustomed to. Teams know that we're the highest-scoring trio in the league. If we're playing well, it's going to be hard to beat us."

The Wizards are interested to see how James reacts in his first road playoff game, where the crowd will be mostly hostile and the public address announcer won't be bellowing his praises after every made basket.

"They have Eric Snow, Donyell Marshall, they have players who have been to playoff games," Arenas said, "but the main player on that team hasn't, and I think that's where our advantage is."

For his part, James appears unfazed by the prospect of play-

ing on the road — or by his performance in Game 2. The Wizards dared him to do more by guarding him one-on-one, but they also made sure they put a body on him whenever he entered the paint.

"Roughhousing, that never has an effect on my game," James said. "I can play finesse. I can play physical. Whatever type of game there is, I'm going to be there for it."

James, like Arenas, had a bit of a guarantee of his own.

"I felt myself forcing the action a little bit in Game 2," James said. "You learn from mistakes, of course. I've always been able to do that. My teammates are going to want me to do things. I can't shy away from the action. If I'm out there missing shots or if I'm making shots, I've still got to be aggressive."

"You learn from it, and I'll be ready for Game 3. I promise you."

## Young hoping to avoid killer hole at MAC

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Amanda Schroeder knows that keeping up with the Flashes will be very important to her team's success.

"If we can play with them (KSU) and maintain our focus, we'll be in great position for the final rounds," Schroeder said. "If anything, playing with a great team like Kent will be a good learning experience."

In order to be as competitive as possible this weekend, the ladies have put in a lot of work at practice this week getting their game in check.

Young said the team has been

working on short game the most, doing a number of putting and chipping drills.

They're also paying close attention to reducing stroke totals from 100 yards and in. For Young, minimizing big-score holes will be a huge key to success for her team.

"In the last tournament (Rocket Invite) there would always be one hole that would kill us," Young said. "We've been working on keeping scores lower and getting more pars."

McCann noted that another way the team is getting ready for the MAC tourney is to imagine they are already at the course.

"We are practicing as if we're already there," McCann said. "We are picturing ourselves hitting the shots and making the putts at Walden Ponds."

Along with all the drills at practice, the team is also preparing for the course itself, learning about its conditions and the way it plays. Schroeder has noticed some things that will help keep scores lower over the course of the three rounds.

"Walden Ponds has thick rough, and keeping the ball straight will determine our scores," Schroeder said. "If we can control our shots and limit our mistakes, we'll be in

good shape."

Over the course of this weekend, BG will have a lot to keep track of, from short game to competing with Kent State to just keeping scores low. But the team is focused and ready to make a good showing. Over the course of the spring season, Young has noticed much improvement in the girls.

"Confidence has gotten higher," Young said. "Everybody is in good spirits. Course management has gotten better and we're finding ways to score well."

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# Bomb targets convoy, 4 killed

Italian relief troops hit, explosion not linked to Italian withdrawal

By Maria Sanminiatielli  
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ROME — A bomb blast rocked an Italian convoy on a road in southern Iraq yesterday, killing four people — three Italian soldiers and one from Romania, the Defense Ministry said.

An officer with the Carabinieri was seriously wounded and was taken to a U.S. hospital about 93 miles from Kuwait City, Defense Minister Antonio Martino said.

The roadside bomb targeted a four-vehicle convoy carrying 17 troops to relieve those at the local Iraqi police station in the city of Nasiriyah.

Romano Prodi, who will head

the next Italian government, said he had no plans to speed up Italy's withdrawal because of the bombing. Prodi had opposed the war and has pledged to bring Italian troops home by the end of the year.

"Our position is not changed," Prodi said at a news conference at his coalition's headquarters. "We've discussed it with the whole coalition."

Prodi's extreme left coalition allies seized on the news to criticize Premier Silvio Berlusconi's decision to send troops to Iraq and to demand a quicker withdrawal.

"Today's attack that caused the deaths of Italian soldiers is an additional loss that Berlusconi's wicked choice to stand by his friend Bush brings today to our country," Communist lawmaker



AP Photo

**AS SEEN ON TV.** A damaged vehicle part of a Italian convoy which was caught in a bomb blast in Nasiriyah, Iraq, yesterday is seen in this image made from television.

Marco Rizzo was quoted as saying by the Apcom news agency.

Prodi said Italy would stay the course in Iraq.

"We won't fly away," he said. "Of course we shall work in Iraq for peace in order to help reconstruction."

Prodi appeared to be referring to plans for the Italian military contingent to be replaced in Iraq by a civilian force.

Italy already has begun withdrawing troops under Berlusconi, who also was prepared to end the Italian participation in the multinational force this year.

Berlusconi said he was "profoundly grieved" by the deaths.

Pope Benedict XVI said in a message to the Italian Foreign Ministry that he felt "great grief" for the deaths of soldiers "who were in Iraq to give a generous and selfless contribution toward that country's peace and freedom," the Vatican's foreign minister, Archbishop Giovanni Lajolo, told Vatican Radio. Lajolo called the attack a "violent act" that could not be justified or excused.

The Italian Defense Ministry

identified the slain Italians as Nicola Ciardelli, 33, a paratrooper with the Italian Army; and Franco Lattanzio and Carlo De Trizio, warrant officers with the Carabinieri paramilitary police.

Romania's Defense Ministry confirmed the death of the Romanian soldier, the country's first combat casualty in Iraq. It identified the soldier as Cpl. Bogdan Hancu, a 28-year-old military policeman from the eastern city of Iasi based at Camp Mitica near Nasiriyah. Romania has 860 troops in the country as part of the multinational force.

The Romanian Foreign Affairs Ministry condemned "the terrorist attack in Nasiriyah" and expressed its condolences to Hancu's family.

As of April 7, more than 2,600 Italian troops were stationed in Nasiriyah, according to the Italian Defense Ministry.

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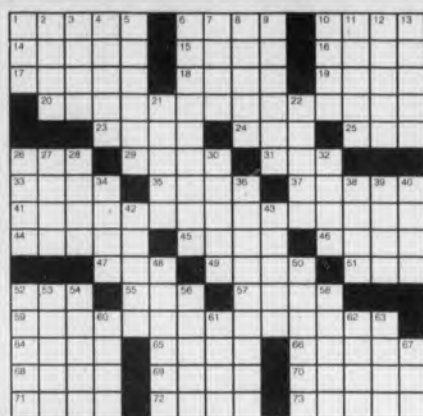
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6 Sign of sadness  
10 Catch a wave  
14 Greek letter  
15 Walk in water  
16 Organic compound  
17 Margarita garnishes  
18 Raw minerals  
19 Island off Tuscany  
20 Common cents  
23 Travel on tarmac  
24 Mai cocktail  
25 Sound of disapproval  
26 Nuke  
29 Ceremonial act  
31 Station from Tenn.  
33 Writer Bagnold  
35 Lairs  
37 Place for les elevés  
41 Common scents  
44 Productive hen

- 45 Legal procedure  
46 Aussie rockers  
47 Spasm  
49 Once, once  
51 Opposite of WNW  
52 Parabolic path  
55 Dig in!  
57 Mideast sultanate  
59 Common sense  
64 Bay of Pigs island  
65 Follow the leader  
66 Keep clear of  
68 Elevator pioneer  
69 Wolfish look  
70 Flood barrier  
71 Part of M.I.T.  
72 Witty Bombeck  
73 Rub out

## DOWN

- DOWN  
1 Scale note  
2 Actor Jannings  
3 Actress Moore  
4 Talent broker  
5 Daytona 500 org.  
6 Bottle capacity, frequently  
7 Merit  
8 Skillful  
9 Usher after the interval  
10 Spotted  
11 Dark  
12 Judges' garb  
13 Small bottle  
21 Nitrous (laughing gas)  
22 Frisco athlete  
26 Fervor  
27 "The King and I" role  
28 Compassion  
30 Follow as a result  
32 Final Four letters  
34 South Beach, for one  
36 Freshwater green algae  
38 First word of "The Raven"

- 39 Old Fords  
40 Opal ending  
42 Snooping  
43 "Who's there?" reply  
48 Sweet-talk  
50 Mexican menu choice  
52 Course taken  
53 Like dice  
56 Potato or yam  
58 Less than once  
60 Rambler maker  
61 Consider  
62 PBS series  
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